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Romans
6:5

**Planted
Together**

**For if we have
been planted
together in the
likeness of
his death, we
shall be also
in the likeness
of his
resurrection:**

This, often ignored
verse (except perhaps
during Easter
sermons), addresses
the suffering of True
Believers. Being
“**planted together** in
the **likeness** of his
death...” speaks of how
Christ’s TRUE
followers are
connected to Christ as
evidenced by a
similarity of his death.

What was Christ's death like? What were some of the circumstances associated with Christ's death? What they were, true Christ-followers will see in our lives.

Jesus was very different in thinking and values from those around himself and was mocked and falsely

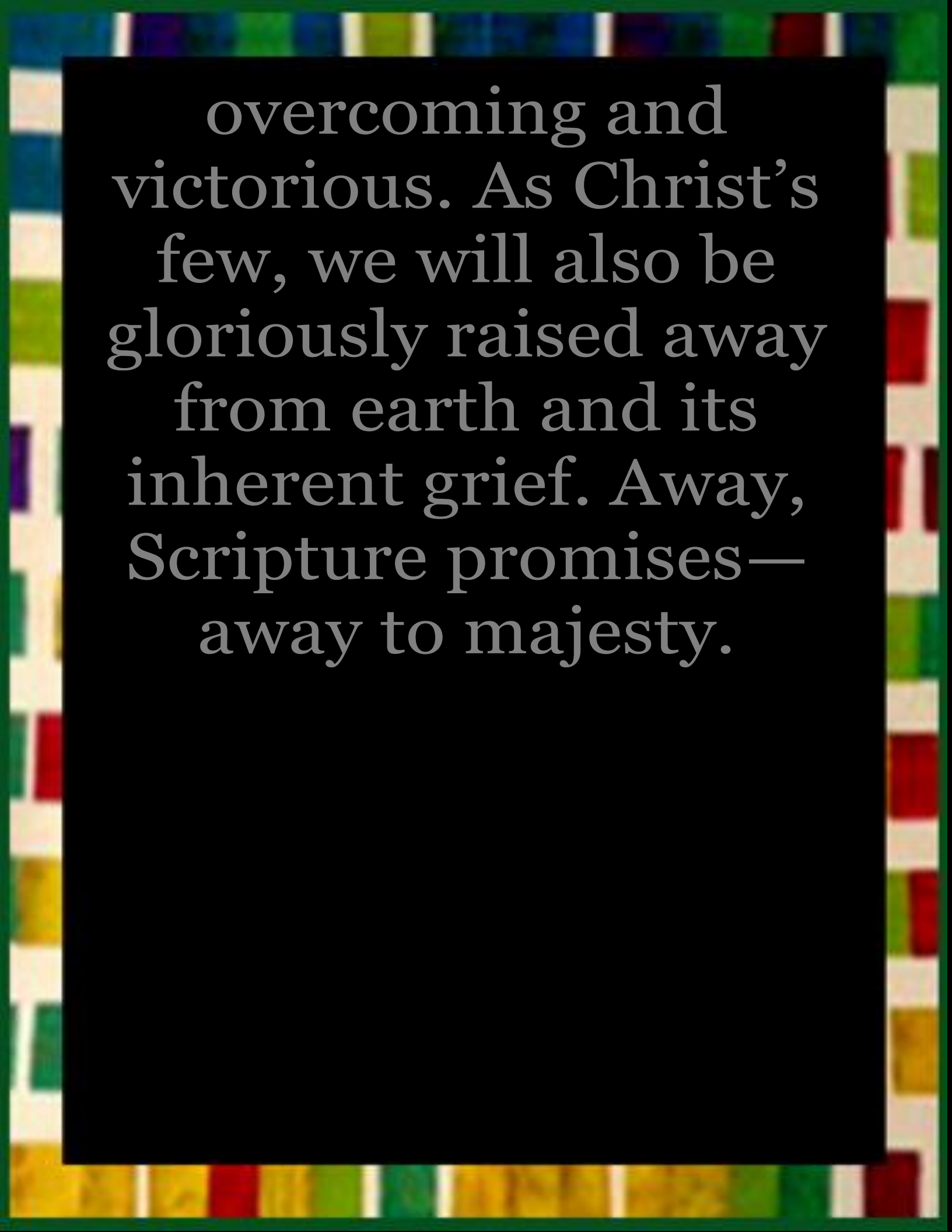
accused by most of his own people. His claims were not believed by many. He was set up, tested, maligned, ousted and rejected by many—though he did very helpful and right things for people. He was starkly betrayed by someone who seemed to be among the closest to him. The legal

system was unjustly
used against him. He
endured undeserved
physical and
emotional agony.

Those conditions
permeated his death.
Likewise, such will be
seen in the life of
genuine Believers. It's
the very suffering
similarities that show
a fusing, a bond, of

true Believers to
Christ. Even so, that's
not the end of the verse
nor is it the end of the
promise because "...we
shall be also in the
likeness of his
resurrection."

We are promised to be
similar to Christ's
resurrection which was
profound, powerful,
and permanent. It was



overcoming and
victorious. As Christ's
few, we will also be
gloriously raised away
from earth and its
inherent grief. Away,
Scripture promises—
away to majesty.

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